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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449, which was cited in a Japanese Office Action dated December 9, 2005 in a Japanese counterpart application.

The concise explanation of relevance of the Japanese document is found in the English Abstract attached thereto.

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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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